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Subject: Underground Injection Control (UIC)Program Permit

As a resident of the Black Hills living less than 20 miles from the Dewey-Burdock Site; I am strongly opposed to the issuance of the Class III and Class V Area Permits being sought.

My home sits on land that falls within the Minnelusa Formation. This UIC(Underground Injection Control), could potentially contaminate water that I and other residents of the Black Hills depend upon daily. Water is essential to life.

The Regional Aquifers covered would potentially be at risk. In September 2014 a Cheyenne River study by the School Of Mines and California State University - showed elevated levels of uranium. It was alleged that uranium leached into the Angostura Reservoir. This incident was noted by the EPA as being the result of "old uranium mines" mined between 1952-1972. In 2015 this issue was dropped by the EPA. The land where the incident occurred is controlled by AZARGA.

Mining fluids are injected directly into USDW (Underground Sources of Drinking Water), as you know. Here in the Black Hills and surrounding areas fresh water is scarce. We cannot afford 1 ounce of contamination, Water is life.

SB 70 (Omnibus Water Funding) a \$13.2 million dollar budget was signed by Governor Dennis Daugaard and both houses of the South Dakota Legislature. This bill is to assure safe, clean, and proper use of waterways. If these permits are approved this bill is not worth the paper it was written on.

Please do not issue UIC Class III and Class V Permits to use the Dewey-Burdock Site for UIC, the health and prosperity of the Black Hills depends upon the denial.

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